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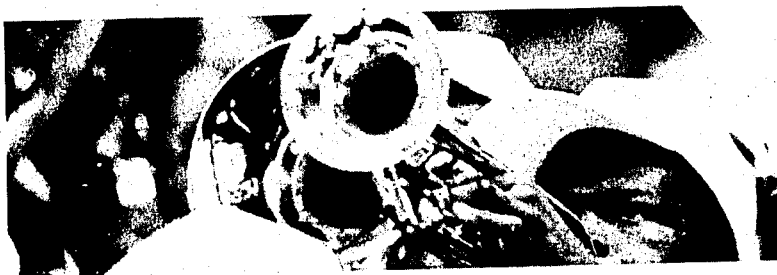
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# Letters to the Editor

## Legal fees?

Just what is the "general matriculation" that the university wants to be increased by \$160 per year?

Is it constitutional – or is it in violation of the State Constitution?

Article IX – Section 10 of Idaho's Constitution:

"All rights, immunities, franchises and endowments heretofore granted thereto by the territory of Idaho are hereby perpetuated onto the said university."

Idaho's Supreme Court has ruled that the above constitution should be read – and then pause to read the Charter of the University. The charter reads:

"no student who shall have been a resident of the territory for 1 year next preceding his admission shall be required to pay any fees for tuition in the University, except in a professional department and for extra studies (recorded in council bill #20, session law of the Territory of Idaho – 15<sup>th</sup> session, section 12, p. 23).

Without spelling out what the general matriculation fee is funding, there may be legal reason to oppose this increase.

Glenn Miles  
BSU alumnus

## Editorial

### Survey could represent under represented students

Researchers have long looked to surveys as a means to accurately represent reality and test their hypothesis. ASBSU President Nate Peterson has carried a hypothesis with him for several months now, and as promised he is going to test it.

Unscientific evidence tells Peterson that student perception of the administration is at an all time low. We would like to know if there is any truth to this claim, and we too are interested in the empirical evidence.

The positivist inside tells us the validity of Peterson's test rests on him obtaining a good sample size. For the sake of good research and good scientific representation, we hope many students will fill out the surveys.

For the sake of democracy, free speech and future generations of Boise State University students, we hope every student fills out the survey. We do after all, need some representation.

It remains difficult to find representation at student fee increase hearings when the student body at large remains largely absent. Perhaps we all too busy being poor to attend fee increase hearings, but if this is the reality, it must be represented.

We find difficulty in finding representation at student body elections when students do not vote.

We, like former ASBSU Senator Kara Janey find representation in committees equally absent. Janey notes, "The (administration) can validate their decisions because they say 'Well, a student representative sat on the committee.' Sure that sounds nice, but what is behind it? Nothing." Boise State President Charles Ruch has validated this truth claim by vetoing parking committee recommendations last fall.

We are desperate for representation and embrace any means to achieve this. We commend Peterson in his attempt to accurately represent student reality through his survey and we are confident he will use the results to advance the influence of students. However, we know Peterson's survey will mean nothing if students do not respond.

We hope students also see Peterson's effort as a means of representation. We also hope students see Peterson's effort as an opportunity to speak.

Students, if you agree with Peterson's truth claims, this is your chance to throw confetti at the administration.

*Editorials reflect the views of the Arbiter's senior editorial staff.*

# Why I hate corporate America

by Brian Zell

Because of my leftist remarks, some of my fans have accused me of reading too much

Democratic propaganda. Little do they know, I don't read propaganda. I write it. So, I will waste this space allotted to me to fully explain why I hate corporate America without the benefit of rational thought provided by others.

First of all, I try as hard as I can to distance myself from corporations. I walk to school so I don't have to support the oil and automotive industry. I cook at home when I want to avoid mass-produced people chow. I didn't have a TV signal so I could escape brainwashing and MTV, but then the new season of "The Sopranos" started (no commercials). I don't even pay attention to Britney Spears' breasts, which is a huge sacrifice. But try as I might, Corporate America won't leave me alone, and that gives me reason to hate.

Take banking, for instance. If I don't put money in a bank, I have to pay fees for cashing checks. I have to buy money orders to pay my bills. I have to worry about people stealing from me. In this society, I have to have a banking account, and this horrible fact of life forces me to come into contact with the banking industry.

When I walk up to tellers nowadays, they treat me like I am some sort of criminal trying to defraud them. I have to prove my innocence before I can touch my money. Some of these banks have even fingerprinted me! And God help me whenever I ask them to do something even a little bit out

of the ordinary.

For example, my brother does not have a checking account. He and I went into my bank to deposit into my account a check made out to him from our father. The teller looked at us like we were pieces of filth and said in a sneering voice, "Sorry sir, we can't do that."

Going in, I half expected my bank wouldn't deposit a check from my father with my brother standing there, but what really made me angry was her attitude toward me, the customer. It wasn't the first time I've been mad at horrible customer service, and I am sure many of you have had a similar experience.

What does this have to do with corporations? Well, I'll tell you.

I'm old enough to remember when people who actually lived in the community owned the banks. I also remember going into these banks and meeting nice people who were not scared to death of losing their jobs by doing their fellow human beings slight favors.

At one such bank in my hometown, I could walk in and cash a five-party check written on the back of roofing shingle. If they had problem, they knew they could settle it the next time they saw me. They realized that having \$5,000 in their bank entitled me to cash weird \$50 checks whenever I wanted.

Whenever I move to a new city, I seek out these banks. Some are still out there. The problem is, every time I find one, a national chain comes in and buys it. It's happened to me four times, and you should see the evil change that comes over the customer service.

Why this change? Well, favors and customers do not belong together in the corporate world. Favors cost money and, for corporations, this can be disastrous.

A corporation needs to make a certain profit (one of my professors says it's around 15 percent for the newspaper industry), or another corporation that does make that profit will buy it out. Even if the purchasing corporation doesn't have enough money to buy it, banks and other investors will give money. After all, the "proven winner" in the industry is a safe bet, and it boosts the stock market.

The quest for profit is what makes the corporate world inherently evil. Say a chief executive officer of a corporation wants to give the workers 10 percent of the profits. His or her corporation would be bought out. Say factory workers in Third World countries can produce a General Electric appliance much cheaper than union workers in Bloomington. The Bloomington factory would be shut down.

Loyalty, nobility and goodness cannot exist in the corporate world if profits dip below the industry standard.

But this is good news for average college students. They've been scientifically proven to make a 15 percent profit. That's if they study real hard and become good corporate drones. So remember kiddies, if some person, who you can tell doesn't have that much money, comes up to you on the job and asks for a favor, reply with a sneer. You'll go far in corporate America.

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## Guest Editorial

# Congress harms workers, business with regs repeal

It has taken American workers 10 years to gain protection from musculoskeletal disorders such as carpal tunnel syndrome and tendonitis. In a marked contrast, it took Congress just two days, with the help of an esoteric rule that limits debate on the floor, to repeal workplace rules aimed at preventing repetitive motion injuries.

These regulations, created by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, will be the first safety standards to be reversed in the agency's 30-year history, pending President

be changed to ensure the safety of the workers was strongly opposed by businesses that perceive it as a money-losing venture. Nearly all Republicans have sided with businesses on this issue, arguing that the compliance costs would be as much as \$100 million per year, which would be transferred to consumers.

However, OSHA reports the regulations would actually save businesses an average of \$9.1 billion per year in the first 10 years of their implementation. Annually, close to one million

the problem. In addition to typing and other computer-related ergonomic problems, the regulations targeted any repetitive motion such as assembly line work and heavy lifting. Many workers ignore increasing pain because they have no economic alternative, and once their disabilities hinder their performance, they are terminated. Also, women face the greatest risk of these types of injuries, accounting for 71 percent of work-related carpal tunnel problems.

In addition to improving the health and morale of workers and increasing product quality, the standards could have saved businesses on workers' compensation payments and lost workdays. Creating safer workplaces by using the OSHA guidelines would have been in the best interest of employers and employees. Despite this, Congress used the Congressional Review Act of 1996 for the first time to overturn the regulations. This not only restricted public debate on the issue but also could essentially prohibit the Labor Department from issuing future ergonomic rules. By signing the repeal, President Bush will jeopardize the health and safety of millions of American workers.

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**The ergonomic standards were adopted by the Department of Labor last year and approved by former President Bill Clinton during his final days in office. The standards were an important preventative measure that emphasized worker education.**

George W. Bush's signature. Unfortunately for workers across the country, the president has already signaled he will sign the repeal.

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Americans report taking time off from work as a result of musculoskeletal problems. Moderate estimates place the cost between \$45 billion and \$54 billion in lost wages and productivity each year. These debilitating injuries are easily preventable, and the 6.1 million work sites covered by the regulations were given a large amount of flexibility to design specific solutions.

Sadly, employers will simply fire workers once they develop these disabilities instead of helping individuals to alleviate

## Press Release - PSA

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# Street Wise

Street Wise by Daniel Wolf

**What would you want your student fees to go for?**

Tyler Green - Freshmen  
"The athletic department gets enough. Arts and psychology - they never get enough - and more for parking."



Jesse King - Sophomore  
"I'd say the Biology department, because that's my major, and I think it needs to be improved."



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## Guest Opinion

**The left... gets back:****Both parties should honor partisan cooperation**

by Danielle McKinney

First of all, I would like to say I agree with some of the things that Jerel Thomas has said about leftists and about the Republican view not being fully appreciated here on campus. I applaud Mr. Thomas for stating his ideas, and voicing his opinions knowing full well that there would be opposition. He is a man of much intelligence. I also applaud him for using his First Amendment speech rights to the full degree, unlike many of us choose to do.

This is not a letter to belittle his ideas or talk down to them, for he seems to be a man of much intelligence. I would rather instead like to bash my own party for a few moments, and then point out some uplifting things about the conservative view in comparison to the liberal view. But you ask why? It is time to realize that Republicans aren't always the "devil" in politics, and that sometimes leftists can do themselves in.

I once had a friend say to me "I hate politics and especially parties." "Why?" I asked, baffled by her comment. "Because both parties just don't make sense. Republicans are against abortion, but they support the death penalty. Democrats are against the death penalty - but in support of a choice for abortion. And furthermore, Republicans say they are for family values, while they use regressive taxes for less fortunate families. While Democrats say they are for the working family, and they keep raising taxes. And furthermore..." I asked her stop, because I finally got the picture.

To be so involved in party membership that you become an extremist is ridiculous. I'm pleased to know that there are Republicans at Boise State firmly, and well-grounded in their beliefs, because I find the only conservatives I truly dislike are the ones claiming party status, but don't know what the heck they're talking about. It's the same thing with Democrats, or anyone else for that matter. And speaking of celebrating diversity, everyone should celebrate the history of Republicans. Why? Because it's very interesting, even to liberals who don't care.

In my English 102 class, there was an assignment to research any topic that we were interested in. I did my paper on the history of the Republican Party, and let me tell you, I was VERY pleased to see what I had found. There are SO many myths about the Republican Party that I learned how to dispel when I actually took the time to do the research. I feel many liberals are prejudiced toward the party, and they don't even take the time to see it from another point of view. This is ignorant. It is not that I agree or disagree with the party, it's that I learned something I didn't know before.

In my humble opinion, it is a bad idea to have a completely closed mind about politics because there are so many different views out there to explore. The reason I was able to see the other side is because I opened my mind and listened for once. If you are unwilling to open your mind to anything else - then by definition you are a bigot.

In his farewell address, George Washington urged all of us to avoid partisanship for it would one day become unruly and slowly, but surely tear apart our country. After the recent presidential election, we were all either sick of hearing about it or ready to hear whom the new president was - and the country was very upset. Instead of working together, our parties tore apart and began to sue each other (which, I'm sorry, but that was really stupid on Al Gore's part). We did tear apart for a while, and both candidates for the presidency felt that. George W. Bush, who I feel will be one of the best Republican presidents ever, urged all Americans in his state of the union address to work together and not put the interests of our party above the best interests of our country.

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**History-in-Progress: A crash course in women's history**

by Lesleigh Owen

For those unenlightened souls, March heralds the triumphant return of Women's History Month. The Boise State Women's Center has officially dubbed it "Women Making History" Month, a respectable title granting it a proactive, past-meets-present kind of zip.

I recently had the pleasure of attending a ceremony, sponsored by the selfsame BSU Women's Center, which honored many local history-makers. I listened in awe as we celebrated the lives of Idaho businesswomen, mothers, volunteers, and radical feminist activists. The ceremony, packed with relatively unknown, but fiery and brilliant women, left me inspired. Everyone, I thought, knows the names Pocahontas, Susan B. Anthony, and Gloria Steinem, but how many have heard of Phillis Wheatley, Belva Lockwood, and Shirley Chisholm? Following the Women's Center's lead, I scurried home and threw together a few facts on some of the lesser-known forgers of American history.

What did Anne Bradstreet and Phillis Wheatley have in common? It wasn't their races, households, lifestyles or even a common century. In 1650, Anne Bradstreet became the first American, male or female, to have her poetry published in book form. A little over a century later, 20-year-old Phillis Wheatley, named after the slave ship that tore her at the age of 7 from her home in Gambia, likewise became the first African-American to publish a book of poetry.

A century after that, Victoria Woodhull also took advantage of the printing press, arguing in her *Woodhull's and Claflin's Weekly* in support of legalized prostitution, shorter skirts, tax reforms, and free love. She contacted spirits, published America's first version of the "Communist

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Manifesto," and ran for president in 1872. Not too surprisingly, her campaign died a quick, scandalous death.

The first successful female politician, Jeanette Rankin was elected to Congress in 1916. A longtime suffragist, Ms. Rankin labeled herself a "progressive Republican" and became the legislative bulldog for families and women's rights. Her political career hit turbulence when she, a pacifist, became one of the few members of Congress to vote against entering World War I. She did not win re-election.

Just a few years earlier, Mary Kenney O'Sullivan and Leonora O'Reilly had thumbed their noses at the still-sexist American Federation of Labor and founded the National Women's Trade Union League. Unafraid to tackle such issues as limiting the workday to eight hours, the NWTUL remained unafraid to bare its teeth until the conservative, post-war mentality in the 1920s filed them down.

On the other end of the spectrum, Phyllis Schlafly, a conservative activist highlighted in an article published in the March 7 issue of the *Arbiter*, also grabbed herself a slice of women's history pie. In 1972, legislators pushed through a shocking little amendment calling for the equal treatment of women and men. Phyllis Schlafly promptly whisked across the country, speaking in opposition to this Equal Rights Amendment, which by then 30 states had ratified. Schlafly and other opponents hissed to audiences about the evils of women in combat boots, women in non-aproned attire, and, perhaps worst of all, women in unisex bathrooms. Mortified at the prospect of women and men

turning quick potty breaks into steamy, triple-X trysts, states quickly rescinded their ratification. In 1977, Idaho became the third state to renege on its vote for female equality. By 1982, the now-defunct ERA lay cold and dead in feminists' memories.

Who authored the first antislavery book? - Lydia Maria Child. The most ardent defender of the breathing-friendly bloomers, introduced in the 1850s? - Amelia Bloomer herself. The first African-American, male or female, to receive the Pulitzer Prize? Gwendolyn Brooks, in 1950. Who founded of the Christian Science movement, the American Red Cross, and Planned Parenthood? Mary Baker Eddy, Clara Barton, and Margaret Sanger, respectively.

History can involve running for political office, marching for the vote, and defeating measures allowing for legalized gender equality. It can also include such events as penning a book, organizing a local union chapter, and leaving the coffee pot turned off. It's the little things that inspire us to weave the fabric of our present into our own version of history.

Such was the case a few years ago when I first read about Iris Rivera, a legal secretary in the '70s, whom one day simply refused to make her boss coffee. In 1977, a newly fired Rivera and 50 other secretaries protested the role of secretary as work-wife. Rivera's story became my *Pink-Collar Manifesto*; a secretary myself, I defiantly donned my now-staple "Women Make Policy, Not Coffee" button and informed my co-workers that from now on, I would make coffee only when I wanted some myself.

OK, I didn't exactly topple the bureaucratic monolith, but I did manage to spit a little in its eye.



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## Guest Opinion

## Senioritis, apathy, whatever you call it

by Anne Welch

I was going to write a column about apathy, but I quickly realized that I didn't care.

Will somebody please tell me what it is about your senior year that yanks the motivation out of you like the brains out of the nose of an Egyptian mummy?

I am essentially done with school in about eight weeks. The whole wide world is out there for me to explore. I can travel, look at grad schools, meet new people and build a career.

So why is it the only thing I feel like doing is sitting like a lump, on the softest piece of furniture I can find, with a bowl of ice cream, watching "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" reruns?

Every time I have a test or a paper (or a column) to get ready for, vacuuming suddenly seems dire. As I sit in class, propping my eyes open with mechanical pencil lead, I try to organize myself: I should do some reading, review the notes, make some flash cards, um ... pick up a newspaper, and, uh, get that new CD, wait, what was I thinking about again?

My train of thought is more like a little bus with a flat tire. It was the same story in high school. Once I hit my senior year, classes seemed to take a backseat to sitting in Denny's until 3 a.m. Even then I knew it was a bad way to feel.

I've always believed in being proactive about your future. No one's going to make you a success but you. Those stuck in unhappy situations usually, somewhere way back in their lives, could have changed things.

On the other hand, people who are given everything and never have to sweat or bleed for what they want, never truly feel appreciation for it.

But try and feed me any inspirational fluff in the next eight weeks or so and you'll probably end up with Cheeto stains on your forehead.

When every logical fiber in my body is telling me that I need to bite down, apply myself and push through this last, important, minuscule fraction of my college career, why is every other part of me saying "sleep?"

Am I burned out?

There are still things that get me going — even academic things. I am working on a genetics project that I will be presenting in April. The thought of finishing it makes me pretty excited. I don't think my circuit breakers are blown.

Am I scared?

Scared of what? Could it be that big, gaping void of uncertainty? That cold, vacuous, maw of not knowing where I will be or what I'll be doing in a year? The realization that I can't predict what the future holds for me?

Nah, that can't be it.

Could I be afraid of the huge responsibility of saving the world that past generations have put squarely on our shoulders? The fact that vast tracts of the world and its inhabitants lie in disorder and dysfunction and that I have chosen to devote my life to fixing it?

Well, maybe, I guess.

Could it be that soon I'll be striking out on my own, with no financial aid check in the mail, with my own car and insurance payments?

That I'll have to find a health plan and put money away for retirement? That my plan was to have kids in my early 30s and I don't even have a boyfriend, so that only leaves me roughly 10 years to find a suitable father.

That I'm going to have to find a real job and a real house?

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## Feminism is not a disease

by Lauri Owen

In response to the article written by Becky Bowman (*March 7, Arbiter*), from Illinois, concerning conservative Phyllis Schlafly's Norris University speech in which she decried feminism, and to all who think "feminism is a disease":

What kind of logic says Gloria Steinem's marital decisions correlate with the status of feminism? (Schlafly equated Steinem's marriage with the demise of feminism). Why does conservative rhetoric continue to insist that marriage and feminism are incompatible?

Come, come now. It's a new millennium. No one REALLY thinks that feminists are man-haters and bra-burners, do they? Who would stand up and say that women don't deserve equal pay for equal work, or that she really WAS asking for it?

Well, less than 100 years ago, women couldn't ask for equal pay, they couldn't vote, they couldn't own property and there

was no legal recourse against domestic violence and rape. I hate to tell anyone who thinks feminism is a "disease," but the reasons those things changed is because feminists fought very hard against a system that liked things just the way they were.

It hurts my feelings to hear women stand on platforms decrying the evils of feminism, especially when the fact that they, as women, are able to speak at public functions is a practice that feminism made OK.

I can hear you asking, 'So if things are so darned peachy, why are feminists still around?'

While I admit (with a giddy grin!) that tremendous strides have been made, some pretty grim stuff is going on that feminists are working hard to change. For one thing, the rape rate in the U.S. is the highest among industrial nations — about 18 times higher than the next closest country, England, in fact.

According to Michael

Kimmel, "stated most simply, 'the lower the status of women relative to men, the higher the rape rate.'"

Hmmm. I'm no professor, but I think there's a correlation here.

How come between one-third and one-half of all women are assaulted by their intimate partners at some time during their lives? I think it deserves some thought when we realize that domestic violence is the LEADING CAUSE of injury to American women.

According to the Department of Justice Uniform Crime Reports, in America, a woman is raped every six minutes, every 18 seconds a woman is beaten and battering partners kill four women every day.

Uh, I'm pretty sure there's work to be done here. We all know that most men don't batter, and that most don't rape either. Do feminists hate men?

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## Liberals make America look like a nation of victims

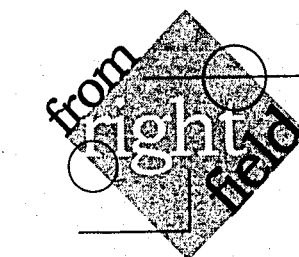
by Jerel Thomas

Amazing isn't it? The world looks at Americans with envy and jealousy. We are a ruggedly independent people who value freedom and equality of opportunity. We are strong and proud. America is the greatest nation in the history of the world. We have the best economy the planet has ever seen.

Our history is full of people who beat the odds to improve the lives of the world; people like Thomas Edison, Eli Whitney, Henry Ford and Bill Gates.

We Americans are known for our ability to overcome adversity and accomplish great things. World War II is perhaps the best example. Ordinary Americans put excuses aside in order to overcome a challenge. This is part of what makes America so great.

Others apparently take a different view. Some (you guessed



it, leftists!) feel that we are a nation of victims. They look down on us like we are incompetent boobs unable to manage our own affairs. Even more amazing is the fact these same leftists have succeeded in making those who aren't victims feel guilty for being successful! Please allow me to explain what I mean.

Last week Ms. Lesleigh Owen enlightened us about the ever-pressing problem of self-injuring. This problem consists of people treating their body like it's a cutting board. The article went on to try and normalize the behavior, making

heroes out of the people who are victimized by self-injury. Then the bomb dropped when it was reported that Dr. Jennifer Hagman estimates 40 percent of all teens have experimented with self-injury, and, after mixing in other victims of other ailments, we were told the chances of not knowing a self-injurer are slim.

I already understand that I'm insensitive and mean-spirited, so I don't mind saying I don't know any self-injurers. In fact, when I look at all the new "disorders" these leftists have discovered lately, I realize I never know anybody that suffers from all of this psychobabble. I don't want to downplay rape and sexual assault at all. Words mean things, and rape is rape. It's a disgusting and terrible act. We

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I was raised Republican and anyone that knows me well, still can't believe it. I love to argue - and I am always able to argue with conservatives - which is always fun. I would like to let all of you out there claiming to be conservatives know that I think it's great - and that I support you in every way. I am glad you are at this campus, and I'm sorry if you do not feel your ideas welcomed here.

I appreciate your comments Jerel Thomas. I appreciate you speaking out on what you believe is right. I just hope that one day soon, we will all be able to work together and celebrate conformity of interests, and above all else - start caring about each other.

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That I don't have a suit for job interviews and I can't do a thing with my hair lately?

Um, I think we're getting closer.

Maybe I need to focus on the future and sweat the little things in the here and now less. Maybe that's what I'm trying to do when I curl up with a stack of fiction books and a bag of cookies.

So how do I do this without ignoring the present classes and jobs? If anyone figures this out, let me know ... or don't ... whatever.

*Anne Welch is a writer for the Rocky Mountain Collegian at Colorado State University. Article reprinted with permission.*

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Nope. I know lots of men who believe that women deserve the same respect and consideration they do. But don't get me wrong; feminists don't want to pick out curtains with abusers and rapists, regardless of their sex or preferences.

There's work for all of us to do, but I'm leaving my bra on today. Feminists are generally less interested in their neighbor's firestarter than in helping everybody feel safe, whether they've forgotten who gave them a leg up or not.

So, by all means, get married (or not), have children (or not), work (or not), but please DO ask people why feminism is a "disease."

*Lauri Owen is a BSU graduate student and officer in the campus feminist group SAGE*

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were informed a few weeks back that approximately 40-45 percent of all women have been raped or sexually assaulted.

I just cannot believe this, for absolutely none of the women I know have been raped or sexually assaulted. Our society constantly inflates these percentages to give the impression that victimization is normal and OK.

I get so tired of every normal emotion being labeled as a mental disorder. A parent will die and the daughter is diagnosed with depression. Being nervous in front of a group of strangers is now an anxiety problem. Kids that are more interested in playing in the sunshine than being in school are diagnosed with ADD. This is a bunch of nonsense. Normal human emotions are not disorders. Creatures like Tipper Gore champion mental illness, saying over half of all Americans suffer from some form of mental illness.

It makes one wonder how the human race survived before we realized we were all mentally ill or had a problem of self-mutilation.

Math is not one of my strong points, but if over 50 percent of us are mentally ill, 40 percent of us have a habit of self-injuring, and 40 percent of women are raped, well, that means ALL of us are victims. Except me. I guess I'm in the vast minority. I was born an American and was raised by good parents who loved me and taught me right from wrong. I don't feel guilty about it. I haven't been raped, I don't intentionally carve myself, and, despite the objections of my leftist friends, I don't suffer from any mental illness. That's strange. Didn't I just describe you?

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## on campus

## Student fee increase hearings draw debate, controversy

by Sean Hayes

On March 13, seven fee increases went before debate to the Executive Budget committee. The increases would mean about \$130 more in fees for full time students next fall.

Despite the gravity of the hearings and what some might consider a large fee increase, few students turned out to speak.

Student Brandon Lewis said, "I was kind of disappointed, because I didn't even hear about (the hearings) until the day of it."

Peg Blake, vice president of student affairs, said that she told students of the hearings via *The Arbiter*, and through announcements at student clubs and organizations.

"I'm not sure we could ever find a means to communicate the proposed increases to the student body that would meet everyone's needs," Blake said. She said a direct mailing would be expensive and ineffective.

Two students sit on the Executive Budget Committee, the student body President and Vice President, Nate Peterson and Rachel Wheatley.

Peterson was not present the day the votes were held on the approval of the increases, saying he did not know the committee had planned a vote. However, he says, the committee's decision is merely a recommendation to BSU President Charles Ruch, and Ruch sends a recommendation to the State Board of Education to approve the fee increases. Peterson says his student poll this week will include votes on each of the fee increases.

"I'm going to take this information and use it to make my recommendation to Dr. Ruch, because the committee is just a recommendation to Dr. Ruch," Peterson said.

Peterson said that the administration should respect the results of the poll and Ruch should make his decisions based on what the students want. Peterson said that as student body president, he represents over a million dollars that students pay in fees. He said that this should earn him the same respect paid to donors and luminaries like Velma Morrison or Steve Appleton.

Some students were skeptical that results of the poll would sway Ruch's decision.

"If he sees hard numbers of what students support, I don't even think that will sway him," said ASBSU executive staff member Kara Janney.

Janney also said she was disappointed that more students did not turn out to speak on behalf of increases. There were reportedly one or two students testifying for and against most of the proposals. Many were students directly involved in the activities themselves.

"There were all these ASBSU students with these nice prepared little speeches getting up for or against something, and there were

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## on campus

## ASBSU President asks students to grade BSU administration

*Peterson hopes survey can represent student concerns*

by Carissa Wolf

Last January, ASBSU President Nate Peterson said he thought student perceptions were at an all time low. Now, Peterson wants to empirically test his hypothesis with a campus wide survey that asks students to rate their confidence in the administration.

Peterson said it's impossible for him to represent 16,000 largely silent students, but he hopes his survey can.

Peterson said the survey is simply a means for students to speak, "This comes down to what democracy is... this is a form of direct participation."

Peterson and ASBSU Senators and executive staff will be asking students to fill out the seven-question survey from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday this week. The survey also asks students what fee increases they would support and if Boise State President Charles Ruch should receive a bonus.

"This is a chance for students to represent their concerns," Peterson said.

Student concerns have gone largely unheard by the Boise State administration Peterson said. He points to the low student turn out at the fee increase hearings last

**Peterson said the survey is an opportunity for students to have a voice in the administrative management of the institution and the allocation of resources across the campus.**

week and low voter participation in student body elections as an example of student under-representation.

"How can I honestly be the representative of 16,000 students when I was only elected by 500 of them?" Peterson asked.

Peterson said the survey is an opportunity for students to have a voice in the administrative management of the institution and the allocation of resources across the campus.

Peterson, an economics major, said his survey underwent rigorous review by statisticians and researchers from several departments at the university. He now hopes enough students will fill out the survey so he can get a good sample and reliable results.

"These questions are fine. They're solid," he said.

Peterson said he will discuss the results of the survey with Ruch. Peterson said what he does with the survey

results depends on the nature of the responses, but he has "several options."

Peterson said, "If the response solidifies my position - that student perception of the administration is at an all time low - then that is a serious problem. It would say to me that our institution is sick."

If the responses overwhelmingly reflect a particular viewpoint, Peterson thinks student bargaining power can be enhanced.

Peterson said if the survey results indicate low student confidence in the administration, he will ask administrators to help boost confidence.

Peterson said, "If it is indicated that there is a problem on campus and the administration is not going to address it, I will take (the survey results) to the State Board of Education and the State Legislature as well."

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Election packets are still available to students interested in running for Associated Students of BSU president/vice president or college senator. Packets can be picked up at the ASBSU Office in the Student Union and must be returned by March 21. ASBSU elections will be held April 11 and 12. Call extension 1440 for more information.

### Selection process for ambassadors underway

The selection process for the 2001-02 BSU ambassadors is under way. The university is seeking assistance from faculty and staff members to identify potential candidates.

The ambassadors are a select group of volunteers appointed by President Charles Ruch to represent the student body and assist with various university activities sponsored by Alumni Relations, Development, Enrollment Services, University Relations and President's Office. Service areas in which they are involved include campus tours, student recruitment, alumni and donor events, Homecoming, graduation, Pavilion events, and more.

Interested students can contact Rob Dennis at extension 1479, Dawn Hall at extension 1284 or Tisha Martin at extension 1439 for more information and an application.

Application deadline is March 23. Interviews will be conducted April 9-13.

- Compiled by Arbiter Staff.

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maybe two students who were not in ASBSU," Janney said. "There was probably a total of eight students."

"One student got up and he was like 'How come this wasn't advertised? How come I have all these March Madness fliers on my windshield but no one puts the fee increase meetings on the windshield.' He goes, 'you guys don't want students here,'" she added.

Blake said she had a discussion with the student who voiced this concern at the meeting. She said, "We are... open to suggestions to improve our communication regarding the fee process to students, and welcome any ideas that students might propose."

BSU alumnus Glenn Miles turned out to speak against the increase proposals for the Alumni Association and the matriculation fee. The matriculation fee comprises the expenses of running Boise State not covered by the State of Idaho.

Miles felt that the state was not doing enough to keep this fee low, only offering enough for buildings and instruction but failing to provide the expense of maintaining buildings or necessary expenditures such as registering for class.

"Anything that does not talk about a teacher's mouth moving in a building suddenly becomes a fee and that's ludicrous," said Miles.

He says he is not swayed by the argument of Daryl Jones that BSU fees are much lower than those of surrounding states, because Miles says that other states' constitutions don't guarantee that students do not have to pay tuition. Miles said paying such escalating fees counter the intent of former Idaho lawmakers who sought to make education in state colleges open and available to all students.

According to figures, the matriculation fee has more than doubled in the last 10 years, rising from \$313 in 1991-92 to \$681 the current semester. The proposed increase would send the fee to over \$700.

The information regarding what fees were approved by the committee, and sent on to Dr. Ruch is unavailable at press time.

Peterson wants students to understand that the committee's decision is not the end, and that by voting in his campus poll this week, students may still have a voice in the process.

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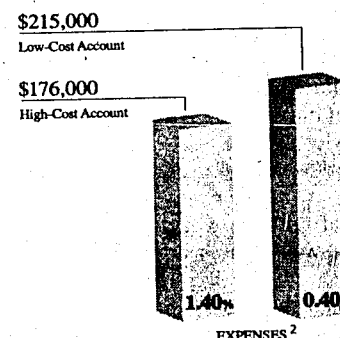
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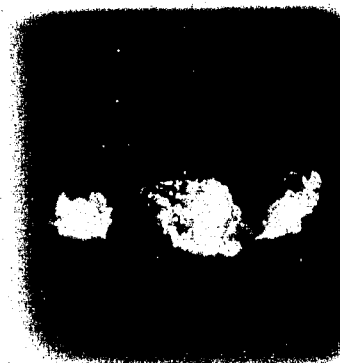
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Bucket**Speaker on sexual orientation  
and gender to present at  
Boise State**

Stephanie Carnahan, an expert on issues facing lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) individuals will speak at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, in the Jordan Ballroom in the Boise State Student Union Building. The presentation, sponsored by Boise State Student Union and Activities, is titled "Who Are You Calling a Queer? — How to make your department more sensitive to LGBT issues."

Carnahan, who has a master's degree in student affairs from Indiana University, has worked in higher education as a resident director, area coordinator, assistant director and director for LGBT support services. She teaches LGBT-issue courses at the University of Oregon and speaks at LGBT conferences regionally and nationally.

The presentation is free and anyone may attend. For further information, call 426-1590.

**Boise State to host national  
debate tournament**

The best debaters and competitive speakers in the nation will be coming to Boise State for the 2001 Pi Kappa Delta National Convention and Tournament March 28-31.

About 70 collegiate forensics teams will be represented, translating to well over 700 individual competitors.

Boise State director of forensics, Marty Most, said hosting the biennial conference not only focuses national attention on the university and its successful competitive team, but in a sense is also a payback to the greater forensics community.

"We go to lots of tournaments every year, and this is a way to pay back all those folks for the hospitality they've shown us," Most said.

Pi Kappa Delta is the national speech and debate honorary society. The Pi Kappa Delta tournament is the oldest collegiate forensics tournament in the United States, according to Most. First held in Ripon, Wis., in 1916, the event tends to draw the best and brightest competitors from participating schools. That makes it probably the toughest and largest tournament the Boise State team faces over a two-year period.

Preparing for the event has taken months of planning and about \$10,000 — donated largely by the Idaho Epsilon chapter of Pi Kappa Delta at Boise State. More than 100 classrooms across the campus have been earmarked for competitors. Student Union services such as the downstairs food court, the Boise State Bookstore and the recreation center will all be made available to conference attendees.

Despite the planning, Most said it's been well worth the two-year effort to prepare for the tournament. "I am excited to be able to do this here," he said. "And it's an outstanding opportunity for the students, too. The event's showcase appearance makes it perfect for community members who enjoy listening to public speaking to come down and check things out."

But Boise State competitors won't have much time to stop and chat with supporters. Almost 16 students have left the team since the beginning of the school year, due to scheduling and other conflicts, Most said, leaving the Talking Broncos with only nine students. Even so, the team is second in its conference in parliamentary debate and fifth overall. Nationally, they rank 12th out of more than 300 institutions.

**McKinnon posthumously  
named Selland Award winner**

by Carissa Wolf

Last January more than 300 people celebrated the life of a "hands on kind of administrator" who many looked to as a mentor and teacher. The late Dick McKinnon, former director of student housing, was most recently named the winner of the fifth annual Larry Selland Humanitarian Award by the BSU Women's Center.

Selland, who died of cancer in 1996, was a former dean, executive vice president and interim president of Boise State. Selland is remembered as a tireless advocate for diversity and was an early supporter of the Women's Center.

For the first time, the staff award was bestowed posthumously. Dr. Richard D. McKinnon, who died of a lung ailment in January was the former director of student housing and worked at Boise State for 18 years. He was honored as much for his conviction, integrity and faith as he was for his career accomplishments.

"He knew everyone's name from the housekeepers and janitors to the resident assistants and the residents themselves," Ben Hambelton, director of the Simplot Micron

Instructional Technology Center, wrote in his nomination letter. "Dick was beloved by his fellow workers and the student residents who knew him."

Ron Taylor, an art professor at BSU, eulogized McKinnon last January, saying he was a man who offered only kind words to those around him.

Dana Kelly, McKinnon's colleague at Student housing, also eulogized McKinnon. Kelly said McKinnon was sincerely committed to the students and faculty at BSU. He described his gentle nature of handling all situations that arose in his position as an administrator, mentor and teacher. Kelly quoted one of McKinnon's favorite Chinese proverbs, "a lump of clay makes a bowl, but it's the empty space that makes it a bowl."

McKinnon is remembered as an accomplished sculptor and painter. Friends and colleagues said he left an empty space in many lives. They noted the way he lived his life will leave a lasting, loving impression of his true essence.

The student winner, Laura

Cortazar, was nominated for her outstanding service to humanity as a whole and to her family in particular. The daughter of Mexican natives, Cortazar began acting as an interpreter for her parents at the age of 9. She has also spent countless hours visiting rest home residents and aligning herself with student service groups.

"She is proud of her Mexican heritage and also proud of her American birth and citizenship," wrote Carol Carroll and Terrie Gillenwater, who works with Cortazar at Boise State's College of Health Sciences. "She feels that each person is special in his or her own way."

Cortazar is a sophomore majoring in accounting.

Two Selland Awards are given each year, one for a student and one for a faculty or staff member. The award is presented each year by the Boise State University Women's Center in honor of Dr. Larry G. Selland.

J. Patrick Kelly contributed to this report.

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# Survey paints picture of happy Idahoans

**Policy survey results show education as top concern**

by Carissa Wolf

Education remains the most important issue facing Idahoans while taxes are of little concern, according to the results of an annual public policy survey.

Results of the 12th Annual Idaho Public Policy Survey administered by Boise State University shows most Idahoans are satisfied with the quality of life in the state while education, growth and the environment top their list of concerns.

Education has been among the top three issues of concern since the survey was instituted in 1990. The economy and the environment have floated from first to sixth place in level of importance, while taxes, which normally show up in the third to fifth place range, didn't make this year's top 10 concerns.

The Public Policy Survey attempts to identify issues of concern to Idaho citizens. The report serves as a vehicle for the dissemination of public policy concerns to and the public at large, the Idaho Legislature and state agencies. Results of the survey are distributed to lawmakers and state agency personnel.

A set of core questions have been asked since the survey's inception in 1990. The questions attempt to gauge the quality of life in Idaho, problems facing Idaho, trust and confidence in government and opinions regarding taxes and services.

Since 1990, most respondents have indicated satisfaction with their quality of life in Idaho. This year, most participants surveyed - 93 percent - reported satisfaction with the quality of their life in Idaho. However, the number of people who reported a high degree of satisfaction has dropped by almost 25 percent. In 1999, 57.6 percent indicated they were highly satisfied with their quality of life while only 32.2 percent said they were highly satisfied this year.

More than two-thirds of those surveyed said the state was headed in the right direction.

When it comes to government, Idahoans have the highest level of confidence in local and state government, feeling they best respond to their needs. However, they also felt

that both local and federal governments impose the least fair taxes.

In the area of public information and sources likely to influence opinions on the problems facing the state, 53 percent said they rely on the media as their main source of information, the No. 1 response. Thirty-four percent said the media was also the biggest source of influence. And although only 17 percent said they rely on their church for information, 24 percent named church as a source of influence, falling directly behind friends (30 percent), the No. 2 choice.

On the environmental front, almost 58 percent of respondents said they opposed breaching the four lower Snake River dams to protect salmon, and nearly 63 percent opposed former President Clinton's roadless initiative, with the highest opposition (74 percent) centered in east central Idaho.

Most respondents - 46.7 percent - identified themselves as politically conservative while 31.9 percent said they were middle of the road and 4.5 percent identified themselves as very liberal.

The majority of the 706 survey respondents were white, non-Hispanic and middle aged. Six percent of the respondents were students.

J.E. Gonzalez, director of the Social Sciences Research Center, led the study, with assistance from Lori Watts, SSRC graduate research assistant. The study includes regional analyses, 1999-2000 figure comparisons and an 11-year trend analysis. To receive a copy, call Gonzalez at 208-426-4028.

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### ASBSU recognizes outstanding professors

Seven professors were recognized for outstanding dedication to students and exceptional merit in their fields at the 15th annual ASBSU Faculty Recognition dinner earlier this month.

ASBSU Faculty Recognition recipients were:

Andrew Cortens, College of Arts and Sciences

Philip Kelly, College of Education

Greg Raymond, Honors College

Patricia Fredericksen, College of Social Sciences and Public Affairs

Ed Petkus, College of Business and Economics

George Murgel, College of Engineering

Danny Benton, College of Applied Technology

Professors were nominated by students. The award recipients were selected by a committee of four students and two faculty members based on criteria that included interaction with students, teaching methods and contribution to the university and community.

### Book by education professor released

*Promoting a Global Community through Multicultural Children's Literature*, a new book by Stan Steiner from the College of Education has just been released. The book is a resource for students, teachers, librarians, and parents focusing on using literature as a tool to raise social consciousness about multicultural issues associated with diversity.

### Plew publishes synthesis of Snake River Plain prehistory

Mark Plew, anthropology, recently published *The Archaeology of the Snake River Plain*. The work represents the first major synthesis of the prehistory of the Snake River Plain and contains 60 illustrations including maps, lithographs, line drawings and tables.

The book is available for \$21.95 plus \$3 postage and handling through the department of anthropology.

-Compiled by Arbiter Staff.

## Head and neck pain can hurt academic performance

by Julie Garcia

Midterms just ended and finals are inevitably approaching. Hovering over a computer for hours on end in unnatural positions can do a number on a student's body, resulting in head and neck pain. Also, students often suffer from lack of sleep and poor eating habits. Altogether these physical ailments can effect the quality of academic performance.

A recent study in the *Journal of Neuromusculoskeletal System* surveyed a sample of 118 students from the California State University at Long Beach in an effort to understand how much neck pain and headaches effect student performance.

The survey asked questions about how often and severe headaches and neck pain were experienced within the past year and whether the students perceived any effects from head and neck pain on their academic performance.

Of the 118 students surveyed, 44 reported that headaches moderately influenced their study habits while six reported having been greatly affected.

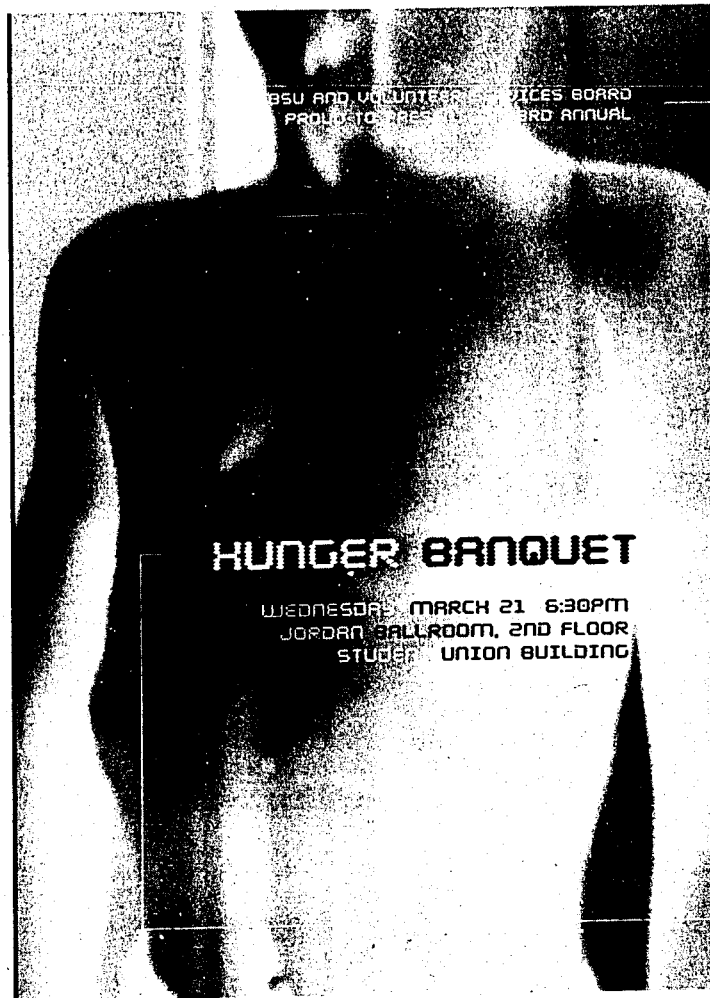
Though few students reported multiple absences, 68 percent reported having missed at least one class due to neck pain and 23.7 percent because of headaches. Almost 18 percent of students' scholastic performance suffered due to neck pain. Headaches were the cause for 39 percent of the students' ailing schoolwork.

According to the study, college students experience neck pain and headaches more commonly than the general population. One cause of headaches is the malfunction of spinal bones in the neck and upper back. The nerves and blood vessels to the head can be affected when the bones that make up your spine lose their normal position

or motion. Throbbing headaches can be the result of long periods of tightened or irritated spinal nerves and muscles. Students suffer from these ailments mainly because of bad studying positions.

A muscle lacking blood and nerve supply is called a trigger point and when it is stimulated it becomes hypersensitive to the touch causing a sharp stabbing pain in the muscle that can be felt through the length of the arm or the head. The study notes chiropractic care and professional massage may be the solution.

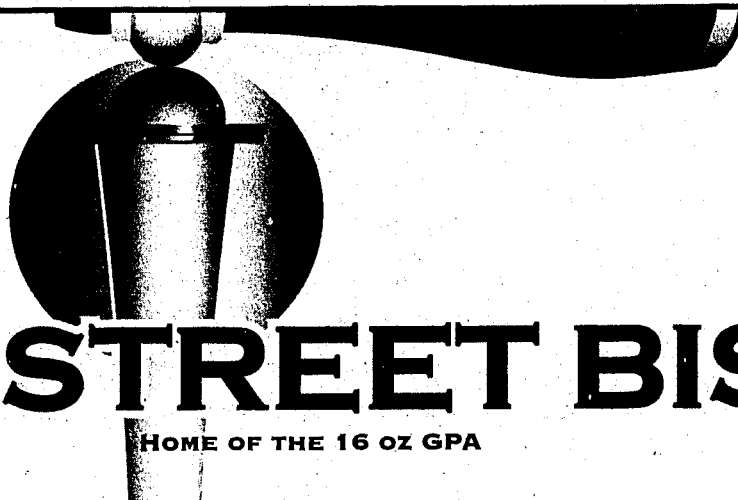
Dr. Heidi Berger and Dr. Parto Payami of the Healing Arts Institute both offer students discounts. The Health Center on campus also provides professional massage that is 100 percent covered by student insurance.



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**Einstein's Itch concert,** Brava Stage. 2-4 p.m. Presented by Boise State Student Programs Board. Call 426-1223.

**Vocal Jazz Solos,** Student Union Brava Stage. 7:30 p.m. Presented by Boise State music department. Free. Call 426-3980.

### MARCH 22

**Karaoke Night,** Table Rock. 5-8 p.m. Presented by Boise State Student Programs Board. Call 426 1223.

### MARCH 23

**Hal Holbrook in Mark Twain Tonight!** Morrison Center Main Hall. 8 p.m. Presented by SFX Entertainment. Tickets: \$20-\$37.50 at Select-a-Seat, [www.idahotickets.com](http://www.idahotickets.com) or call 426-1110.

**Shira Kammen, medieval musician,** Esther Simplot Performing Arts Center. 7:30 p.m. Presented by Boise State Medieval Society. Tickets: \$10 general admission, \$8 students. Call Linda Marie Zaerr at 426-1213 or pick up tickets from Connie Charlton in the Business Building Room 211.

**"Say Hello to Spring Break," Family Friday activity,** Student Union Hatch Ballroom. 6-9:30 p.m. Presented by Boise State Student Programs Board. Admission \$2 or \$1 and a can of food.

### MARCH 23-24

**Idaho Dance Theatre,** Special Events Center. 8 p.m. March 23; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. March 24. Tickets: \$12-\$16 adults, \$8-\$12 for students, seniors and Boise State faculty and staff at Select-a-Seat, [www.idahotickets.com](http://www.idahotickets.com) or call 426-1766.

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### APRIL 4

**Senior recital,** Katie Newell, soprano, Morrison Center Recital Hall. 7:30 p.m. Presented by Boise State music department. Free. Call 426-3980.

### APRIL 4-5

**"Footloose,"** Morrison Center Main Hall. 8 p.m. Presented by Theater League of Idaho. Tickets: \$25-\$42.50 at Select-a-Seat, [www.idahotickets.com](http://www.idahotickets.com) or call 426-1110.

### APRIL 4-JULY 31

**Noon Tunes live local bands,** Student Union North Patio. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Presented by Student Union and Activities. Free.

## LECTURES and CONFERENCES

### MARCH 21

**Hunger Banquet,** Student Union Jordan Ballroom. 6-8 p.m. Presented by Boise State Volunteer Services Board. Tickets: \$4 or \$2 and two cans of food, at Student Union information desk. Call 426 4240.

**Idaho Environmental Forum,** is an informal, non-profit, nonpartisan, educational association whose sole mission is to promote serious, cordial and productive discourse on a broad range of environmental policies affecting Idaho. Buffet opens at 11:30 a.m. program at 12:00 p.m. to 1:10 p.m. at the Crystal Ballroom in the Hoff building downtown Boise 802 W. Bannock St. 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Price \$10.00 at the door.

### MARCH 21-22

**"Tough Guise,"** Student Union Hatch Ballroom. Lecture about violence toward women. 7 p.m. Presented by Boise State

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### MARCH 22

**Lecture by Extended Systems chairman Ray Smelek,** Student Union Jordan Ballroom. 1:40 p.m. College of Business and Economics Distinguished Speakers Series. Call 426-1125.

### MARCH 28-31

**Pi Kappa Delta National Convention and Tournament.** Boise State hosts the national debate tournament. Marty Most, 426-1920.

### APRIL 3

**Farmworker minimum wage dinner,** location and time TBA. Presented by Boise State Volunteer Services Board. Call 426-4240.

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**Fourth Annual Diane Lamm Marrow Donor Drive.** Presented by Boise State Biology Club and St Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute. Student Union Ah Fong and Alexander rooms. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 381-3109.

**"Who are you Calling Queer? How to Make Your Department Sensitive to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Issues"** by speaker Stephanie Carnahan. Student Union Jordan Ballroom A. 6 p.m. Presented by Student Union and Activities. Free. Call 426-1223.

## SPORTING EVENTS

### MARCH 21

**Intramural registration.** For soccer, sand volleyball and tennis. Call Boise State Recreation Center at 426-1131.

### MARCH 22

**Boise State men's tennis, Bronco Classic, Boas Tennis Center.** Call 426-4737.

### MARCH 31

**Bronco track and field vs. Idaho State and Montana State, Bronco Stadium.** Call 426-4737.

## Hunger Banquet to question myths of poverty

Sponsored by the Volunteer Services Board, the Hunger Banquet is an interactive event that engages participants by questioning the myths about people in poverty, and examining what they can do to combat hunger and homelessness. Local, nonprofit agencies such as the Boise Rescue Mission will be there to present concrete opportunities for people to become involved.

The banquet will be held Wednesday, March 21st from 6:30pm - 8:30pm at the Student Union Jordan Ballroom. The cost is \$4.00 or \$2.00 and 2 cans of food. For more information call Colleen Foster at 426-4240/ISBDC and

## Microsoft to present free business seminar

The Idaho Small Business Development Center at BSU and Microsoft are teaming up to bring Microsoft's "The Big Day" free business seminar to Boise on Tuesday, March 20, from 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Holiday Inn.

The event is only visiting a handful of cities across the U.S. The day will include a variety of free business-related workshops and software demonstrations featuring Microsoft products. In addition, there will be prize drawings and every attendee will receive a free CD filled with computer resources and tools.

As part of the Microsoft Big Day seminar series, Microsoft will be donating software to the Idaho Small Business Development Center in support of the Idaho SBDC's efforts to assist small businesses throughout Idaho.

To register to attend this free event or to see a complete agenda of "The Big Day" activities, visit <http://www.msbig-day.com> or phone 1-877-436-7638

## Hostage resources on reserve at library

In conjunction with the lecture on "Resolving Conflict: The Test of Humanity" that Terry Waite will deliver in the Jordan Ballroom at 8:00 p.m. on April 10th, the Distinguished Lecture Series Committee has placed the following teaching resources on reserve at the Albertsons Library:

1. "Hostage: The Story of the Beirut Hostages, 1984-1991", a three part video series produced by PBS. The series combine a dramatic political story with personal testimony of real power and spiritual depth. The titles of the individual videos are: Part I: Missing; Part II: A Deadly Trade; and Part III Release.

2. Taken by Trust and Footfalls in Memory, each by Terry Waite. Terry Waite describes his 1,736 days in captivity in Taken by Trust. In Footfalls of Memory, he shares the stories, poems, and prayers that kept him sane during his years of captivity.

3. Den of Lions by Terry Anderson. Terry Anderson's book is one of the most noted accounts of the life of the Beirut hostages.

Hostage by David Jacobsen. This is David Jacobsen's account of the time that he spent as a hostage.

## Extended studies to hold open house

The Division of Extended Studies will host an open house to celebrate its new building on Tuesday, March 20, from 3:30-6 p.m. Welcoming comments will be at 4 p.m. The new building is located at 1015 Grant Avenue. Refreshments and tours of the new building will be included in the event. Free parking will be available in the parking lots next to Extended Studies.

- Compiled by Arbiter Staff

# NCAA tournament rocks bsu pavilion

*Boise fans treated to perhaps the greatest day in college basketball history*

by Josh Jordan

Every three years since 1989 the city of trees has been chosen as the site for the first and second rounds of the west regional in the NCAA tournament. In 1992 players like Alonzo Mourning and Shaquille O'Neal made pit stops on their way to the NBA. Tyus Edney drove the length of the Pavilion hardwood in the final 4.8 seconds to give UCLA a victory on their way to the 1995 national championship. This year, the tournament known for surprise upsets and improbable finishes more than lived up to expectations.

Eight of the tournaments 65 teams came to Idaho hoping to extend their seasons for another week or more, and only two would succeed. Thursday gave hoops fans a full plate of four games with the winners of those facing off on Saturday for the right to move into the round of sixteen. Game one pitted the sixth seeded Wisconsin Badgers against number eleven Georgia State. Meridian native and former Skyview basketball star Ricky Bower comes off the

bench for the badgers and had many people in the crowd hoping for a Wisconsin victory.

Early in the first half the Panthers of Georgia State appeared to be out of their element as Wisconsin dominated the smaller team. Bower's second three point shot of the half pushed the Badger lead to 16 at 28-12 with 2:51 remaining. The Panthers were able to trim the deficit to eleven on a desperation shot at the buzzer by senior guard Kevin Morris, making the score 30-19. The transfer from Georgia Tech was the only bright spot for Georgia State in the half, scoring 12 points on 5 of 8 shooting.

Panther head coach Charles "Lefty" Driesell must know something about hoops, and it showed in the adjustments his team made for the second half. In 39 years on the bench, the legendary head-man has racked up 761 career victories while leading four different schools into the tournament.

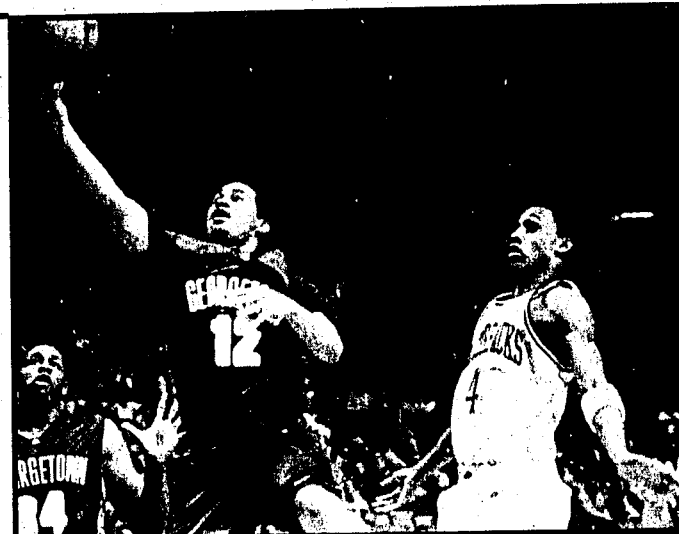
Georgia State started the second half with a sense of urgency.

Arkansas forward Alonzo Lane elevates against several of the Hoya's big men. Georgetown won the contest on a last second lay-in, 63-61.

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Behind the stellar play of senior guard Shernard Long the Panthers were able to claw their way back into the game. He had eleven points in the midst of a 23-12 run by Georgia State and the game was deadlocked at 42 with 7:11 left on the clock. Wisconsin was able to build a five point lead, 49-44, with just under a minute to play on two free throws by Andy Kowske. Unfortunately for Badger fans those would be the final points scored in Wisconsin's season.

Georgia State's Darryl Cooper hit a huge three and was fouled by Wisconsin's Roy Boone. The resulting four-point play gave the panthers a glimmer of hope and they pounced on it. Cooper jumped in front of a



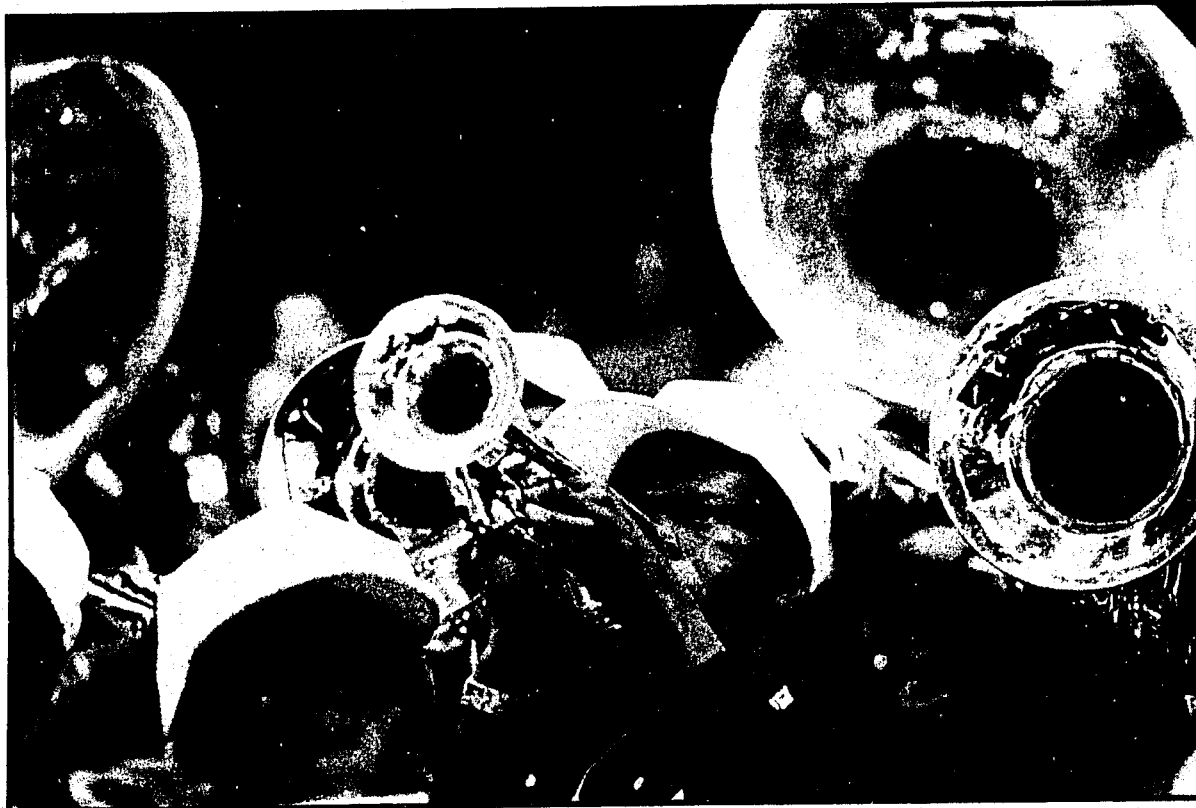
Tarvon Davis pass and fed a streaking Morris for the easy lay-up with 12 seconds left on the clock. Wisconsin had one more shot and did what they had been doing all day, gave the ball to forward Mark Vershaw. The senior played a solid game, leading all players with 19 points, but would fail when his team needed him most. Panther big man Bam Campbell fouled Vershaw as he

went up for a shot, sending him to the line with three ticks on the clock for a chance to win the game. His first shot rolled off the rim leaving him one shot left for the tie and an overtime period. With the pressure of an entire season coming down to this last free throw, the quiet young man pushed the ball to far to the right, and ended the Badgers season, and his college basketball career.

"I ended the career of a lot of guys tonight," said the teary eyed Vershaw. "That's a tough way to end your career."

Coach Driesell said the victory "might be the greatest win" he's ever had—no small statement for a man who's been in the business as long as he has. Georgia State would have to wait to see who won the ensuing George Mason, Maryland game to find out who they would play in round two.

Most experts predicted an easy Maryland victory over the 14th seed in the west. But, as the old cliché goes, 'that's why they play the games'. George Mason held the lead for most of the first half. Riding the play of Gulf War veteran George Evans, the Patriots held an eight point lead several times. The thirty-year-old college senior was a man among boys as he torched Maryland's defenders for 14 first half points giving the Washington D.C. based school a 36-33 lead when the buzzer



Hampton's pep band was a big hit in the Pavilion, receiving an ovation when they returned for the second half of the tournament. They kept a full schedule while in town, performing during a Steelheads game along with Hampton's cheerleaders, and in their own hotel's lounge.

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sounded.

Maryland has big time talent though, and the Terrapins weren't about to concede anything just yet. The solid guard play of Juan Dixon and Byron Mouton helped them catch, and then pass, the Patriots. With 13:43 left in the game Maryland had opened a 55-50 and it seemed as if they would win going away. Someone forgot to mention the plan to George Mason's Rob Anderson as the junior guard hit back to back three point shots giving the Patriots a 60-59 lead with 11:35 left.

Both teams battled for the lead for the remainder of the game. The crowd of 10,824 was treated to 9 ties or lead changes in the final ten minutes. In the end it was Maryland who prevailed. Helped by solid free throw shooting, 20 out of 23 in the second half, and a very questionable call by the referee with

less than twenty seconds remaining, the Terrapins were able to eke out an 83-80 victory. Evans led all scorers with 27 points while Mouton and Dixon paced Maryland with 22 each. The stage was now set for the first of Saturday's second round games, the third seeded Terrapins would face their former coach and #11 Georgia State at 1:40 in the Pavilion.

Thursdays next two games were even more exciting than the first two. Game three saw Arkansas play Georgetown in a match-up of college basketball powers. The two schools have 48 tournament appearances between them, including an impressive 10 trips to the final four.

The game quickly turned into a battle of team strengths. Arkansas likes to play an aggressive, trapping style of defense while Georgetown is lead by one

of the most solid backcourts in the country. One of them would have to prevail. The entire game was a seesaw battle with Arkansas building the largest lead at 50-43. Georgetown's Kevin Braswell handled the ball like a wizard in the second half, making no turnovers despite the intense pressure of Arkansas' defense. As a result, the Hoyas were able to rally from the seven point deficit and tie the game 55-55 with just less than seven minutes remaining. After that neither team could build a lead larger than two points. Tied at 61 with 36 seconds left, Georgetown called a time-out to set up a play for the win. "What I wanted to do was just get some ball movement and either go back to the bench with a tie score and go into overtime or win the ballgame" Said Hoya head coach Craig Esherrick.

With time ticking away and the Arizona defense denying Georgetown's best players the ball, Nathaniel Burton found himself in a position to win the game. The senior shooting guard paused at the top of the key with 10 seconds left before lowering his shoulder and tossing up a left handed prayer in the lane. The prayer was answered as the horn blasted to signal the end of the game. Georgetown players swarmed the court in celebration as Arkansas stood in stunned silence and Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson asked the referees to review the play, claiming the shot clock had expired. After watching the events on replay the refs decided Burton had released the ball with time still remaining and the game was over.

"We looked to see if it was a shot clock violation, it was not,"

said head umpire Ted Hillary. "The ball was out of his hand."

Thursday's fourth and final game pitted the second seed in the west, Iowa State, against the fifteenth seed, Hampton College. With former Idaho Vandals head coach Larry Eustachy now leading Iowa State it didn't take much to turn the Boise fans in favor of Hampton. The Pirate band energized the capacity crowd with funky, up-tempo songs while their cheerleaders bounced and boogied at every opportunity. On the court, Hampton was just as impressive. Senior forward Tarvis Williams proved early that he was the most athletic player on the court, nearly leaping out of the gym to block numerous Iowa State shots.

Williams and the Pirates held a 31-27 lead at half time but the

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Iowa State's Shane Power attempts to drive the lane against Hampton. Hampton upset the Cyclones during the first round match-up. It marked only the fourth time in NCAA division 1 history that a number 15 seed defeated a number 2 seed.

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# Photo Essay

by: Ted Harmon



Would you buy a used ticket from these guys? There were about half a dozen "second hand NCAA ticket redistribution specialists" on the corner of University and Broadway about an hour before Thursday's NCAA games started. They gave a cheerful wave and begged for some publicity, so we at the Arbiter obliged.



NCAA in Boise was extensively reported on by everyone from *the Arbiter* to *Sports Illustrated*. CBS had exclusive television coverage of the games. Pictured here, a CBS reporter exclusively covers our photographer's view of the game. It was harder to make out the action while he was standing there, but on the bright side we got a great look at the CBS logo, and isn't that what NCAA hoops is all about?

Give 'em one for free; they'll be back for more. Susan Finnegan directs traffic in the Pavilion parking lot Thursday afternoon. Many fans were surprised when they found out they didn't have to pay to park. On Saturday the price was once again \$5.



In it for the money: The BSU pep band turned mercenary last week, pictured here as Georgetown's hired guns. The BSU band was employed to support Georgetown because Georgetown's own band couldn't afford to make the trip.



# The weirder the better: Wide variety of scholarships devoted to niches

by Shannon Slattery

Want money for school but think that only Einstein-like brainiacs can qualify for scholarships? Not so. Surprisingly, there are plenty of scholarships available for those unfortunate souls who weren't blessed with superior intellect. Students can cash in on these unique scholarships and sail through school without spending a dime.

"I couldn't believe how many scholarships were offered for totally ridiculous things," Florida State University senior Casey Sembach said. "I mean, they have one for fat people."

That's right, the scholarship in question is from the New England Chapter of the National Association of Advance Fat Acceptance. They are offering \$500 to high-school seniors who are going off to college and are overweight. So, head on over to Guthrie's and get the jump-start on the freshman 15.

"I always heard David Letterman gave a scholarship in his name," junior Lisa Vincent said, "but only if you were, like,

dumb."

More like average, actually. That is the basic premise of the David Letterman

Telecommunications Scholarship Program at Ball State University. It awards money to junior telecommunications majors with "average, yet creative minds." Letterman, himself, has made many cracks on his nightly program about the lack of these types of scholarships for the not-so-gifted student, so he created his own.

"I found one that awards money to left-handed students," sophomore Amanda Moyer said. "I mean, how silly is that?"

It's true. Left-handed students at Juanita College are eligible for at least \$700 from the Beckley Scholarship Foundation. Not bad considering you could pick up extra cash for being a southpaw.

Do some of these scholarships seem too wacky to believe? Of course they do, but there are tons of these nutty awards out there. Why do they

offer these off the wall scholarships?

"It is a marketing technique companies use to get people to believe that everyone can win a scholarship," says Laura DiFiore. "The simple truth is that a lot of these enticements can be misleading and the scholarships have plenty of restrictions."

That may be the case but students don't want to hear it. Students want to hear they can get "free money" for school being left-handed, overweight or just average. Companies realize this and are only too happy to advertise as a result of this interest.

"My dad told me about one for golf caddies," freshman Paul

Whitmore said, "I didn't believe him though."

Looks like ol' Dad knew what he was talking about. High school seniors, who are in the top 25 percent of their class and have been golf caddies for at least two years or more, are eligible for the Evans Scholarship Program from the Western Golf Association. The award pays full tuition and housing.

These are just a few scholarships students have heard about or discovered on their own. The National Research Scholarship Service compiles an annual "Top 10" list of strange endowments. Some highlights from this list include awards for students who want to study fun-

gus, pursue vacuum science, research aroma-chology or sell Tupperware.

"I can't believe all the stuff out there that you can get money for," sophomore Eric Jones said. "What's next, scholarships awarded to good looking people? Hey wait a second, I could qualify for that one."

*Shannon Slattery is a writer for the FSView & Florida Flambeau at Florida State University. Article reprinted with permission.*

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Because, I said "No" | A parent's forum

## How can parents combat public tantrums?

by Casey Burkett

A few weeks ago my wife, our child, and I were out and about doing errands and other things: really just lollygagging around town. The time flew by as usual and it got later than we had hoped (it was about 7 p.m. or so), we were all getting tired and hungry after running around for a few hours. We decided to stop at Applebee's to grab a quick bite and head home, coming to this decision despite our financial situation, because in no reasonable manner were we prepared to drudge home and come up with a suitable dinner from limited resources and a lack of cooking enthusiasm. Upon entering their fine establishment my son spies the assortment of balloons they hand out to the kids. First, it's important to understand that this child can spot a balloon from more than half a Wal-Mart away. If a balloon appears on television, a magazine, a book, or any other visual format it is an acquired target. He then proceeds to become obsessed over them, and once he gets one home he tries to keep it with him every waking moment. It's a serious fixation.

The nice Applebee's employees offered him one, and with hesitation we accepted (more like with out a choice). A problem arose here, because at Applebee's if a balloon happens to wander to the ceiling it comes into contact with the extremely sharp texturing, and pops. Now, this wouldn't be a dilemma if he would let us secure the balloon to his chair, or to his wrist, but that would be too easy. No, he insists on having full balloon control, which I understand. He is at a point where he is struggling with wanting to be independent, though not being able to do all tasks unaided. He gets frustrated and mad, but we deal with that. The problem still exists that we have to order, wait, eat, and leave while monitoring his balloon activity, which in turn leads to another host of problems.

We get through ordering, we have an express put on his dinner, but he just doesn't want to be there. He's hungry and tired and it's been a long day. Well, now he thinks he needs to get down and run around the restaurant, again, must be unconstrained. Now, I refuse to have one of those kids you see running around and bothering people in restaurants, having no respect for others privacy or sanity. I just don't think that's appropriate behavior for children. So, now it's time to lay down the law. Up until this point he's been a little grumpy, but decent. Here comes the next dilemma: we all know you can't reason with a 19-month-old child. After all, the world is a very different place for them. My problem, however, is I need to. I need to get through to him that his behavior is not acceptable, and if it continues, there will be consequences. How do you do this?

**Solution A:** Strap him into his chair, tie down the balloon or get rid of it, and give him his dinner. Possible results: A screaming child who disturbs everyone in the restaurant, then refuses to eat, and throws himself wildly back and forth until he hits his head, and screams some more. Problems: I think restaurant patrons have every right to eat in peace, and uncontrollable children should not be allowed (out of respect, not a formal rule). Also, he doesn't eat, on one hand, tough luck. On the other, it will only worsen the night. Further, we don't enjoy our upcoming meal.

**Solution B:** Let him run. Hope that he gets it out of his system and allows us to put him in his chair to eat. Possible results: He drives everyone around us crazy, continues to refuse his chair. Eats, doesn't eat, who knows. We spend the meal chasing him around, and still are not allowed to enjoy our evening. Problems: This is not a solution for me. I refuse to be ruled by my child.

**Solution C:** Pack up and leave, deal with him at home. Possible results: He learns that if he doesn't want to be somewhere, or do something, all he has to do is throw a fit to get out of it. Problems: The problem has not been dealt with, just moved. And, in the time it takes to get home, he forgets everything that happened at the restaurant, and doesn't understand why we're short with him. Plus, the behavior continues at home and the evening is still a bust.

What actually happened: We at first tried just letting him sit with either of us, but all he wanted to do was play with everything on the table and then get down and run around. Next, we put him in his chair,

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# Spring recreation could mean a life sentence

The U.S Department of State recommends students become familiar with foreign drug laws

by Carissa Wolf

Unless you're traveling to Amsterdam for Spring Break, the U.S Department of State suggests you use caution if you're planning to travel abroad and use drugs or alcohol.

The U.S Department of State says foreign drug laws are often far more oppressive and harsh than those of the United States.

Each year, more than 2,500 American citizens are arrested abroad - about one-third of these arrests are on drug related charges, including possession of very small amounts of illegal substances.

American students have also found themselves arrested for public intoxication, underage drinking and drunk driving.

The U.S Department of State says students traveling abroad can avoid long and inhumane prison sentences by familiarizing themselves with the laws, customs and standards of the country they are visiting.

A number of countries, including Mexico, the Bahamas, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, and the Philippines have enacted more stringent drug laws. These nations have imposed mandatory jail sentences of seven years to life for individuals convicted of possessing small amounts of cocaine or marijuana. A growing number of countries, including Malaysia, Pakistan and Turkey impose the death penalty on people convicted of violating

drug laws.

Once a citizen leaves the United States U.S Constitutional law no longer protects them. The U.S Department of State warns that in some countries, the burden of proof often rests on the arrested to prove they are not guilty and jury trials are often not granted to those arrested on drug charges.

The number of American women arrested on drug charges has increased in recent years. The U.S Department of State reports that the increase is the result of a growing number of women who serve as drug couriers hoping they can make some quick money. People have also been arrested for carrying prescription medications

in quantities considered larger than what is needed for personal use.

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Safety information and travel tips can be accessed from the Bureau of Consular Affairs' home page on the Internet at <http://travel.state.gov>. The site contains pamphlets of information for students planning to study or travel abroad.

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## IDT promises flashy spring performance

by Jim Toweill

"Can a foot be so expressive?!" Idaho Dance Theater will present its spring performance at 8 p.m. Friday, March 23 and at 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, March 24 at the BSU SPEC. For the uninitiated, this is no stale ballet. IDT prides itself on "Innovation—doing what hasn't been done, whether in movement, music, theatrical effects or lighting—creating something surprising, interesting, unexpected." The statement seems to be well reinforced, given the unorthodox visual and aural performances the group has lined up for this performance.

This time around IDT will be including John Baldwin, Boise State music professor, and director of BSU's percussion ensemble in its repertoire. Baldwin will help premiere two new works performed with live percussionists onstage with the dancers. The works will have an international flavor, featuring African (complete with metal bells), Flamenco, Brazilian and an Egyptian tambourine dance—though expect something a bit more elaborate than belly dancing to accompany this.

And for those looking for something a bit more contemporary, guest choreographer Leah Stephens-Clark is creating a piece to the music of Radiohead. She explains, "I have been drawn to the music of Radiohead for a long time. I think their use of technology as artistic theme and artistic tool is intriguing. It overwhelms our lives, chipping away at our humanness... This dance reflects (a) paradox of modern life." The performance will incorporate multimedia special effects along with dance. Stephens-Clark is also an IDT veteran, dancing for six seasons beginning in 1991, and is currently on the BSU staff as a ballet teacher.

If Radiohead is just too bleak and modern for you, there are plenty of other reasons to attend the show. Marla Brittain Hansen, co-founder of Idaho Dance Theatre will be bringing her interpretation of Handel's "Fireworks" to the stage. Also, dance veteran and IDT co-artistic director Carl Rowe will premiere a new piece that "explores visual representation in a new dynamic way." It is not clear exactly what the nature of this visual representation is, but it sounds intriguing nonetheless.

Other performers include Kayla Avery, who has taught dance in Russia, BSU elementary education major Megan Evans, and 14 year old Jennifer Freeman, along with several other accomplished dancers who make up the IDT company.

Don't be scared away by the fact that there will be people in leotards and slippers prancing around on their tiptoes. Yes, there will be plenty of that, but also much more that will appeal to those that aren't hardcore dance fanatics. Tickets are \$8 and \$12 for students, and are available at Select-a-Seat outlets or idahotickets.com.

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## Kid606 flashes middle finger at techno music

by James Minton

Kid606 got his first sampler at age 14, and has been trying to destroy music as we know it ever since.

This wunderkind of the electronic set, also known as Miguel Depedro, takes a no-frills, in-your-face punk-rock approach to techno. In keeping with this disdain for musical pretense, his latest CD, entitled "Down With the Scene," is a noisy, abrasive middle finger aimed at the IDM (intelligent dance music) crowd and all its categories and conventions. While defiance of genre-boundaries has been the Kid's style, his predilection for distorted, discombobulated beats and extreme production values provide a consistent theme for this release.

The Kid's sense of playful irony mixes nicely with his anti-establishment bent on the album's first track, "Chart-topping Radio Hit," which sounds

something like a chainsaw shredding your speakers to bits.

The disc continues with this nails-on-a-blackboard approach for several more songs, but mellows a bit for "Secrets 4 Sale," a collaboration with ex-Faith No More/current Mr. Bungle vocalist Mike Patton. This addictive tune sounds like an R&B hit, albeit one broadcast from some strange planet in a galaxy far, far, away. In the same vein, the Kid puts funk music through his meat-grinder of effects processors on "I'll Take Millions in Plastic Surgery to Make Me Black."

Other songs, like "For When Yr Just Happy to be Alive" explore more ambient, euphonious territory and provide a pleasing counterpoint to the album's harsher material. Another, similarly accessible track is "Catstep / My Kitten / Catnap Vatsstep Dsp," a reggae-

tinged medley infused with warp-speed breakbeats and a robotic voice synthesizer on vocals.

If you like your music safe and ordinary, this album will probably do little more than perplex and annoy you, for Kid606 seems to have little use for what's been done before. In fact, it seems as if the Kid deliberately uses sounds most DJ's would never touch—the kinds of noises you get when you spill your drink on a synthesizer or turn your stereo up louder than your speakers can handle. But if your ears can tolerate, or even love, a certain amount of abuse, you'll find "Down With the Scene" to be infinitely rewarding.

*James Minton is a writer for The Reveille at Louisiana State University. Article reprinted with permission.*

## Jazz Fest fails to excite students

by Jim Toweill

The annual Gene Harris Jazz Festival is a community event featuring jazz artists performing many different styles, and workshops where students can learn techniques with these professional artists. This year the event is featuring two Grammy winners, Eddie Palmieri and Diane Schuur, among a slew of other artists most of us haven't heard of. Just how relevant is this festival to Boise State students?

The Gene Harris Jazz Festival does provide an endowment for outstanding music students, with funds coming from corporate and private donors as well as from proceeds raised by the Jazz Festival. Last year, 14 students were selected to receive scholarships.

**Considering that hundreds of high school and junior high students attend the festival with their schools each year, the actual number of BSU musicians attending these clinics is probably quite low.**

According to Executive Producer Esther Neely, about 1000 students from all over the valley attend the six-per day clinics held at the SUB during the festival. Neely wasn't sure exactly how many BSU students attended the clinics, but said that "a fair

number" do. Considering that hundreds of high school and junior high students attend the festival with their schools each year, the actual number of BSU musicians attending these clinics is probably quite low.

Students do receive a \$3 discount for all events, but considering the two Pavilion concerts cost anywhere from nine to \$50, this may be unlikely to draw the interest of those on a tight budget. The most economical option would be club night, which is \$20 for a pass that provides admission to 12 events running from 5-11 P.M. the night of April 5<sup>th</sup>. Though some of these concerts are held in 21+ venues making it hard for the non-drinking set to enjoy the full

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benefits of their 20 bucks.

Students and even some staff do seem to have mixed feelings about the event. Andy Farley, a graphic design major, after being asked why he wouldn't be attending the festival commented, "Gene Harris is dead...and I don't really like jazz." Tim Tommervik said he would go—"maybe". Adjunct math professor Barry Finnigan remarked, "jazz isn't really my thing...I'm more of a 70's hard rock kinda person." Jane Lehman said she "wasn't planning on it (the festival)", but would take time to find out more information about it. Kathy Leduc wasn't even aware that the festival was going on, and remarked that if she did know more about it, she wouldn't have time to go anyway. "It's not something exciting", said Leduc. Trevor Tillman did give a positive nod toward the festival saying, "It's actually pretty cool...I'm not really into jazz that much, but...I've been there a couple times before, and it was alright."

The festival is also sponsored by a couple of corporations that have drawn fire for unethical business practices in the past: Boise Cascade and Coca-Cola. Surely the festival could exist without accepting money from businesses such as these. While there is currently no independent alternative to the Jazz Fest, perhaps one could be arranged for next year?

While the Gene Harris Jazz Festival does have its attractions and high points, it may not be for everyone. Boise State students sure aren't touting it as a must-see event, and rightly so, since there probably isn't a whole lot that would be of interest to them.

The festival runs from Thursday, April 5 through Saturday, April 7. Tickets are available at [www.idahotickets.com](http://www.idahotickets.com).

## Festival will explore medieval music

by Amy Brueggemann

Ever think about what the likes of King Arthur, Lancelot and Gwenevere listened to at their parties? Shira Kammen, acclaimed medieval musician from the Bay Area, will be performing at the Esther Simplot Performing Arts Center on Friday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m.

The concert program will focus around "The Drowned City of Y's" an ancient Breton Ballad. Kammen will present the tale in English, with Breton, French, and Celtic music interspersed within the story.

The program will also include instrumental pieces, but don't expect to hear the sounds of keyboards, drums, or acoustic guitars. Rather, instruments of the time will be dis-

Like any good story from the middle ages, their songs contained elements of love, nature and magic.

played: the vielle - played by BSU's own Linda Marie Zaerr - the medieval harp, and the shawm.

Such pieces are fashioned after the styles of troubadours and trouveres, the lyric poets and poet musicians of France in the middle ages. Most were of noble blood, while some were even kings, having their "concerts" performed at court.

Like any good story from the middle ages, their songs contained elements of love, nature and magic. Rest assured

Kammen's pieces will reflect the same.

"Few medieval English songs are left to us with melodies, but the music inherent in the abundant poetry is intensely vital," Shira said. "I am attempting to follow in the tradition of the medieval minstrels by deriving music from these beautiful texts, which concern love, nature and magic."

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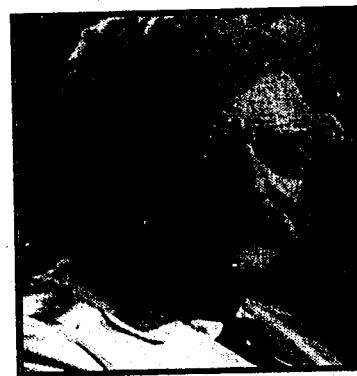
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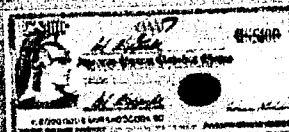
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let him keep the balloon, but shortened the string to avoid the ceiling. He screamed, but we held out a minute hoping he would calm down, but then he smacked his head pretty hard, so we had to let him out to comfort him. He consoled quickly, of course, and was ready to run around and be a nuisance again. My wife tried walking once around the restaurant with him to try getting it out of his system and to give the folks seated around us a break. Nevertheless, it just fueled the fire. They brought out his dinner before ours, but he showed little interest. We tried just restraining him to our laps, giving him food, but that furthered the fit and hardly a temporary fix. Somewhere in all this, he let go of the balloon, which exploded on the ceiling sending the other patrons into duck-and-cover-mode. In the end, we packed up, got our dinners to go and headed home.

Where I'm at a loss is what is the correct solution? Or, more important, what works best? I have read and researched behavior modification, attachment parenting, the pros and cons of different parenting styles and tips for controlling children. What I noticed first, is that they are all focused on slightly older children, or they don't directly deal with this kind of problem. And, this isn't just a restaurant problem; it comes out in any public situation, such as misbehaving in a grocery store. But, it seems to be a slow path-yielding little change.

The question then is, is this every kid? Are parents with older children reading this tale of misery, thinking, "Yep, been there, done that, just wait, it gets better..." Though, sometimes better is worse, right? Then again, maybe this is just my monster, or will some light pop on? Will he hit that stage where a sense of understanding comes over him, and the world is a different place (though, I wonder if my light has clicked on yet)? Or, should we just muddle and fudge our way through this, pray for the best, learn from our mistakes and hope he does the same?

Parenting is such an enigma wrapped in shells of doubt, lined with soft fluffy clouds in the abyss that fills life's empty moments with uncertainty (that's transcendental parenting; just had to get it out).

Send submissions, comments, advice, angst, fears, and ideas to [BecauseISaidNo@Hotmail.com](mailto:BecauseISaidNo@Hotmail.com).



## grub outside the sub

## A whole lot of shakin' going on

by J. Patrick Kelly

Galaxy Diner  
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America in the '50s wasn't known for its culinary aptitude. Actually, this decade of TV diners proved that Americans would eat just about anything as long as it was packaged fancily. One sure bet for a decent meal was always found at the reliable neighborhood diner. At least the food was made in close proximity to the table, unlike Swanson's offerings.

In Boise, several eateries pay homage to this American tradition. One in particular is the Galaxy Diner, oh-so close to campus. The Galaxy is a glitzy version of Arnold's on "Happy

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The Galaxy puns it up with their menu verbiage: Potsie's Pot Roast, Jack's Lemon Pepper Chicken, Aunt Bea's Chicken Tenders, Wolfman Onion Rings, Monster Mash Hash, La

Bamba (Mexi-omelet), and Blue Moon Burger are a few of the selections available with historical pop culture references. This intergalactic diner serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner seven days a week, and the prices are moderate and the service is usually brisk.

Soda fountains are rare in this day and age. I can only think of two' downtown,

Moon's and Galaxy Diner. The latter has an impressive list of classic concoctions: real milkshakes, malts, floats, pink lemonade, and the flavored cokes (cherry, lime, vanilla, chocolate).

I don't think the management minds large study groups congregating as long as they don't meet during peak business hours. And the Galaxy is a

great place for a sweet treat either before or after a film at the Flicks with your honey.

Fifties ambience is fully embellished here with a plethora of memorabilia and a bombardment of paraphernalia from the Cold War era. Even the enthusiastic waitress had a classic look, minus the saddle shoes. As I sucked the last syrupy sip of cherry Coke from its icy grave, so ended James Brown's "Get On Up, Like a Sex Machine." Then the perky waitress promptly told a co-worker, "I never get sick of that song, you just can't get sick of that song!" In the words of Arthur Fonzarelli: "Sit On It" at the Galaxy Diner.

## Student art wanted for Alumni benefit

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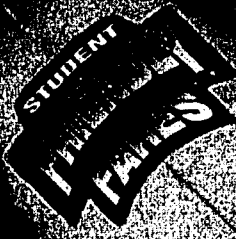
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second half began with Iowa State scoring 19 of the first 22 points. It seemed as if the favored Cyclones were finally beginning to pull away. With 12:43 left in the game, they led 46-35.

With the band now leading an entire arena of Hampton fans, the players continued to fight for their season. They trimmed down the Cyclone lead, first to seven, then to three, and down to one on one of the most incredible blocks ever made on the Pavilion floor. A Cyclone player attempted a high arching shot over Williams at the free throw line. Williams sprung off the floor like a cat and swatted the ball ten feet forward where his team was able to scoop it up and turn it into an uncontested lay-up. With 1:26 left, the Iowa State lead was cut to 57-56 and the Crowd, still mooning over the Hampton band and cheering squad, was the loudest Boise has seen since the last Neil Diamond concert.

Iowa State's all everything guard Jamaal Tinsley tried to force his way inside but missed a difficult lay-up with 23 seconds remaining on the clock. Hampton called a time-out to set up their shot to win the game. Hampton point guard Marseilles Brown brought the ball up-court and fed a posted up Williams. The 6-9 native of Maysville, North Carolina, dribbled once, turned and elevated over two defenders to bank the shot home with 6.9 seconds left in the game. Tinsley's last gasp lay-up attempt rolled out of the cylinder and Hampton had accomplished the highly improbable. The Virginia school was just the fourth fifteen seed to upset a two seed in the history of the tournament.

Williams finished with 16 points, 13 rebounds, and six blocked shots. In what might be the understatement of the century he commented on the his game winning shot, saying "I'm pretty confident in my touch around the basket and I'm pretty confident in my jumping ability, so I knew I would have a good look at [the basket]."

Game two was now set for Saturday with Georgetown playing Hampton. Thursday at the Pavilion could very well have been the greatest day in the history of the tournament. Four games were decided by a total of seven points. There were three upsets, two buzzer beaters, and a band that proved to Boise the importance of a strong home court presence.

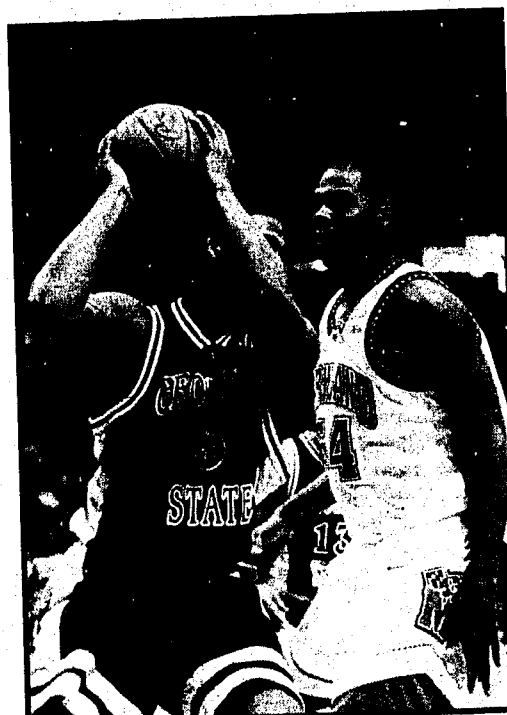
Saturday's games were largely uneventful. The ride for Cinderella stories, Hampton and Georgia State eventually came to an end at the hands of bigger more athletic opponents. Georgetown was able to

Georgia State center Thomas Terrell posts up Maryland's Terence Morris. Georgia State lost the second round match-up 79-60.

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Ted Harmon  
the Arbiter

check Williams' influence on the game with a handful of giants taking turns guarding him. Still the fan favorite was able to score 16 points and block an incredible 8 shots in the 76-57 loss to the Hoyas. Maryland also used their size to bully the smaller Georgia State squad as Lonny Baxter scored 19 points and grabbed 14 rebounds in the Terrapins 79-60 victory.

Despite the anticlimactic ending, basketball fans in the valley were treated to some miraculous basketball. Two teams, Maryland and Georgetown survived the first round of the single elimination tournament and will travel to Anaheim this week for the sweet 16. From there, winners will advance to Minneapolis for the final four and a chance to become the 2001 NCAA Division I men's basketball champions.



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underneath the blue sky

Tanned skin of your thigh  
grazes me gently  
rousing me to open an eye

Heat from bright sun  
quickens our breath  
making our hearts run

Our passion has won  
these bodies press  
as we two become one

-Tana Schlepp

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You creep through my thoughts  
like a fog into a valley  
slowly filling my head

That laugh rings in my ears  
as though a choir were here  
singing near this cold bed

Hands so coarse yet tender  
still run over my body  
as if it were being read

Blue eyes see to my soul  
like God on judgement day  
piercing my core like lead

Your presence still surrounds me  
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even though you are dead.

-Tana Schlepp

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exhaust  
into the air

like a heart

-Timothy David Orme

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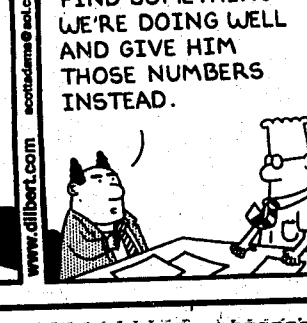
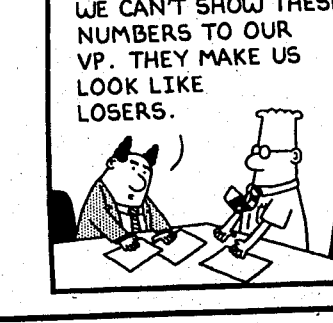
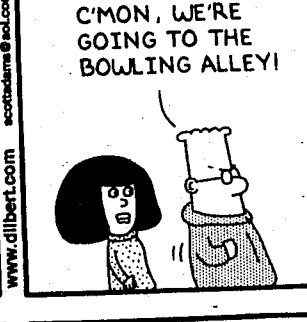
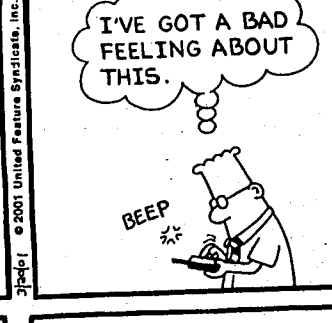
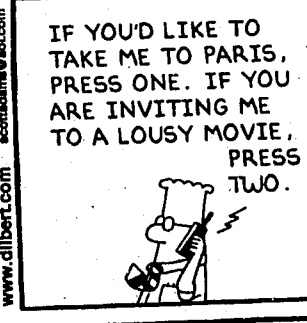
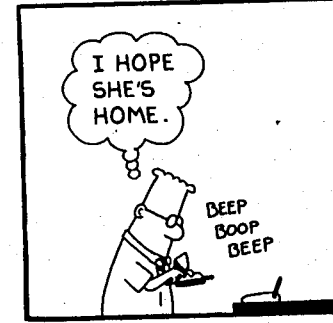
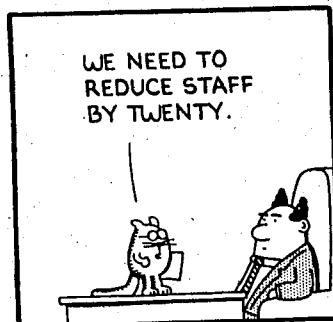
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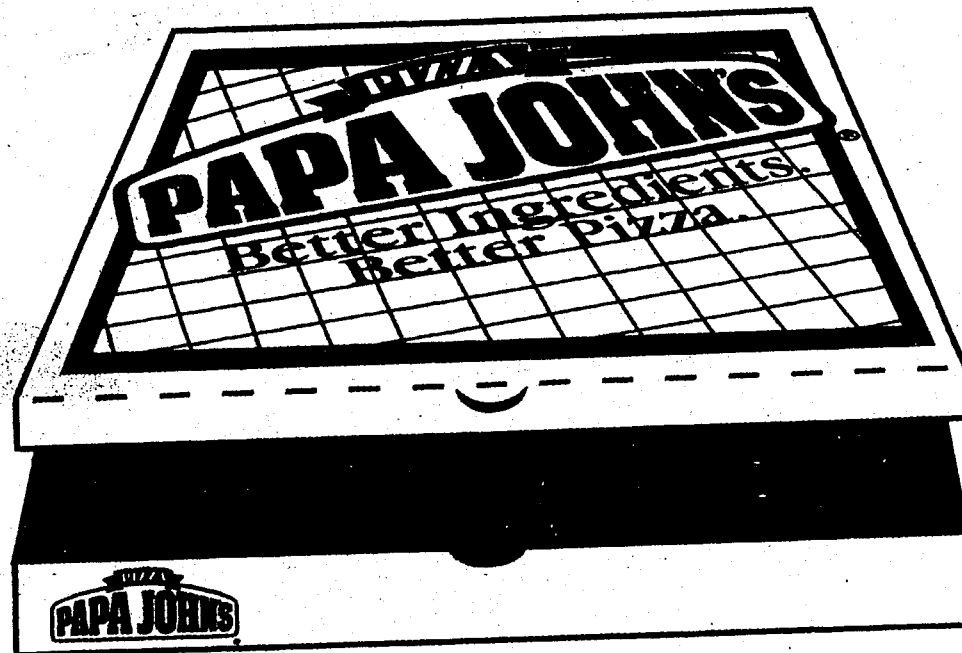
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